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APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING PRINTING HEADS

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Office Action dated Januar 22, 2003 issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Application. A response to the January 22, 2003 Office Action is due April 22, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Drawings

Please amend Fig. 1 as indicated in red ink.

In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 19 with the following clean rewritten paragraph:

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-- Reference is now made to Fig. 1, which illustrates the print head 12 and cable carrier 14 of a printing system. The cable carrier 14 is rigidly attached to the print head 12 by a plate 16 configured to allow the ink supply tubing and data and electronic cables to pass through to the cable carrier 14. The cable carrier 14 is generally flexible and travels along a support structure 18. The print head 12 is configured to travel on linear bearings 20 by a linear motor (not shown)